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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS WITH ISRAELIS RE WALDHEIM VISIT

1. NOW THAT WE HAVE VETOED ME RESOLUTION, TO GREAT ISRAELI SATISFACTION AND AT SOME COST TO OUR RELATIONS WITH ARABS, COULD WE NOT LEGITIMATELY ASK OF ISRAELIS SOME MORE CONSENTIOUS EFFORT TO EXPLOIT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SETTLEMENT WHICH, ISRAELIS THEMSELVES SAY, THIS VETO HAS PRESERVED? WALDHEIM VISIT TO ME IS IN OFFING. IF WE BELIEVE GREATER EVIDENCE OF FLEXIBILITY BY ISRAELIS WOULD ENHANCE PROSPECTS HOWEVER SLIGHTLY FOR, SAY, INTERIM NEGOTIATIONS WITH EGYPT, I WOULD THINK THIS WOULD BE IDEAL CONTEXT IN WHICH TO PRESS THIS ON THEM.

2. I HAVE NO ILLUSION THAT ISRAEL LIKELY BE VERY RESPONSIVE OR THAT WALDHEIM VISIT LIKELY PROVE IMPORTANT VEHICLE FOR PROGRESS IN ANY CASE. NEVERTHELESS, SHOULD WE NOT MAKE POINT TO ISRAELIS, BY SOME SUCH APPROACH, THAT WE DO NOT BEAR ONUS AND COSTS OF VETO SIMPLY TO KEEP THEM SECURE IN ENJOYMENT OF STATUS QUO BUT TO KEEP OPEN OPPORTUNITY FOR IMAGINATIVE AND POSITIVE EFFORTS TO SETTLE THIS ISSUE? WE NOTE (USUN 2700) TEKOA'S STATEMENT THAT GOI WANTS TO CONSULT US TO, INTER ALIA, CONFIDENTIAL

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WORK OUT "WHAT, IF ANY, POSITIVE ELEMENTS SHOULD BE PART OF

(WALDHEIM) VISIT."

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